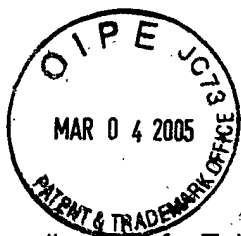


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Transmitted herewith is a **Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 and Interview Summary** in the above-captioned application.

_____ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

_____ A Request for Extension of Time.

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of January 19, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 19, 2005, with the present Response being filed by the two-month due date of March 21, 2005 (March 19, 2005 being a Saturday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection together with an indication of the allowability of all the claims in the present application in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this Response.